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House Resolution 2278

By: Representatives Dukes of the 150<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 89<sup>th</sup>, Everson of the 106<sup>th</sup>, and Fullerton of the 151<sup>st</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Wilburn A. Campbell, Jr., on the occasion of his
- 2 retirement; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Wilburn A. Campbell, Jr., has long been recognized by the citizens of this
- 4 state for the vital role that he has played in higher education and his deep personal
- 5 commitment to the students of Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Dr. Campbell has dedicated nearly 42 years to molding young minds and
- 7 challenging students through his work as a coach, a professor, and a dean at Albany State
- 8 University; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a graduate of University High School in Florida, Dr. Campbell earned a
- bachelor's degree from Morehouse College and a master's degree and doctoral degree from
- 11 Springfield College; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Dr. Campbell began his distinguished career at Albany State University in 1968
- as an instructor and coach for the school's swimming and track teams; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he has made major contributions to the sport of swimming, coaching the first
- 15 national African American swimming and diving champions in 1978 and coaching two
- 16 national championship swimming and diving teams in 1978 and 1979; and
- 17 WHEREAS, over the past six decades, Dr. Campbell has held various positions at Albany
- 18 State University such as physical education professor, athletic director, project director,
- 19 project administrator, and his current role as Dean for the College of Education; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Dr. Campbell has been recognized with numerous awards and accolades
- 21 throughout his prestigious career, including a Chris Silva Award from the International
- 22 Swimming Hall of Fame; and

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23 WHEREAS, he has published numerous works on health education and swimming and has

- been a member of a number of committees for the NCAA; and
- 25 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to higher education in this state, it is
- 26 abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and
- 27 accomplishments of this outstanding individual.
- 28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 29 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Dr. Wilburn A. Campbell, Jr., for
- 30 his sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia;
- 31 recognize the positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless young
- 32 people in this state; and congratulate him on the grand occasion of his retirement.
- 33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Wilburn A. Campbell,
- 35 Jr.